State	LPG	RO
Chandigarh	26	19
Dadar & Nagar Haveli	1	3
Delhi	215	237
Daman & Diu	2	4
Lakshadweep	1	-
Pondicherry	5	25
Total	3999	15077

(Figures as on 1.10.1991)

[*Translation*]

Training to Agricutural Scientists of Developing Countries

3452. SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government propose to impart training to the agricultural scientists of the developing countries; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) and (b). Sir, Agricultural Scientists/technicians sponsored by developing countries are imparted training in Indian Institutions under bilateral agreements and international programmes of cooperation.

[*English*]

Supply of PIG Iron to Industries in Howrah

3453. SHRI HANAN MOLLAH: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Industries in Howarh are facing crisis due to short supply of pig-iron; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to increase the supply of pig-iron and also to ensure regular supply of the same to the Industries in Howrah and West Bengal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b). No specific report about the crisis situation being faced by the industries in Howrah due to short supply of pig iron is available. There is, however, a general shortage of pig iron in the country. Full requirements of any sector cannot, therefore, be met out of domestic production. Import of pig iron is allowed under Open General Licence.

The allocation of pig iron to the SSI sector in West Bengal during the year 1991-92 is higher at 41,500 tonnes as compared to 35,000 tonnes in 1990-91.

Earthquake Prone Areas

3454. SHRIMATI D.K. BHANDARI: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union government have

identified earthquake prone areas in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the precautionary measures taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Based on the data of past earthquakes and geological features, five seismic zones have been delineated in the country. The Zone V is most seismically active and the intensity of seismicity gradually decreases with the decreasing order of the seismic zones. The areas covered under the respective seismic zones are as under:-

Zone V:	North eastern States, Himalayan region, Kutch and Andaman Nicobar Islands.
Zone IV:	Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Northern parts of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal and parts of Gujarat.
Zone III:	Parts of Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal, Goa, Kerala, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Karnataka.
Zone II:	Parts of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu.
Zone I:	Parts of Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Rajasthan.

(c) The earthquake is a natural phenomenon. Scientific studies of earthquake prone areas are continuing. However, the Bureau of Indian standards has established criteria for earthquake resistant design of structures for different seismic zones of the country in their publication No. IS: 1893-1984 issued in 1986.

Price of Iron

3455. SHRI C.P. MUDALAGIRIYPPA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the price of iron is showing a downward trend; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b). Pig iron is produced mainly by the integrated steel plants. The Joint Plant Committee (JPC) has not made any downward revision in the prices of pig iron.

[*Translation*]

Model Farmer Scheme

3456. SHRI MARUTYUNJAYA NAYAK: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government have finalised the model farmer scheme as suggested by the Bhanu Partap Singh Committee;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the model farmer scheme is likely to be launched?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to